

REMARKS

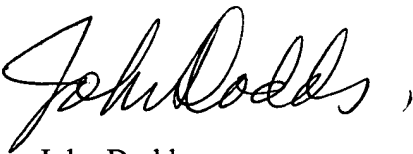
The Examiner has rejected claim 1 as being anticipated by Grove #4,792,017 . Claim 1 is rejected also as being anticipated by Planck #4,792,017. The applicant has amended claim one by limiting the interior leg to be hollow as is shown in Figure 2 of the present application. Neither of the prior art patents allow a hollow interior leg. As disclosed in the original specification of the application, an objective of the present invention is to provide a light but steady ladder with adjustable legs. Hollowness of both of the leg pairs allows these characteristics.

The Examiner has rejected claim 6 as being unpatentable. The applicant has canceled the claim 6.

CONCLUSIONS

The applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider the application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks related to the amended claims proposed above and the Office Action dated on March 15th, 2004. The amendments presented above contain no new matter and raise no new issues.

Yours truly;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Dodds", followed by a comma.

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